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HEAVEN"



MATT. 28:19.

# The Church of God Evangel



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GOD'S LOVE

THE  
PILLAR

## "Duty"

THE  
TRUTH

*There's only one method of meeting life's test;  
Just keep on a-striving and hope for the best.  
Don't give up the ship and retire in dismay  
'Cause hammers are thrown when you'd like a bouquet.*

*This world would be tiresome, we'd all get the blues,  
If all the folks in it held just the same views;  
So finish your work, show the best of your skill,  
Some people won't like it, but other folks will.*

*If you're leading an army, or building a fence,  
Do the most that you can with your own common sense.*

*One small word of praise in this journey of tears  
Outweighs in the balance 'gainst cartloads of sneers.*

*The plants that we're passing as commonplace weeds  
Oft prove to be just what some sufferer needs.  
So keep on a-going, don't stay standing still—  
Some people won't like you, but other folks will.*

—Selected.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20



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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

Jan. 25, 1936

## Notices

We would like to get in touch with Brother Willie Dunkin and Sister Emma Ward. If not heard from by next conference, your names will be dropped from church roll.—C. W. Brady, clerk, Hudson, Fla.

We would like to know the whereabouts of Sisters Mollie Hyman, Sallie Tedford, M. E. Parish, Lou Donahue, Juanita Jones and the condition of their souls, as we have not heard from them in a year or so.—Mrs. Beulah Lackey, clerk, 882 Pine St., Abilene, Tex.

The Church of God at Widener, Ark., has been transferred to the Church of God at Forrest City, Ark., and we would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members: Sarah White, Fannie Martin, Geo. Courtney, Thelma Schisim, Mabel Swinnie, Elea Pipkins, Mary Lee Courtney, Frances Key. Please let us hear from you.—M. C. Luallen, clerk, Forrest City, Ark.

To the St. Joseph district, Northwest Missouri: My address has been changed to 716 Concord St., St. Joseph, Mo. I have had some trouble getting my mail, so please write plainly. I thank you in advance.—C. L. Barker, district overseer.

The Sunday School banner of North Carolina goes to North Wilkesboro, N. C., for December, with a gain of 200 per cent. Next was Silva, N. C., with a gain of 150 per cent. Only thirty schools reported.

The Y. P. E. banner goes to Brother R. E. Hamilton's Y. P. E. at Greensboro, N. C., with a gain of 33 per cent. Only seven Y. P. E's reported for December.—C. M. Dunn, State Supt. of S. S. and Y. P. E. Treas. of N. C., 33 Montana Ave., West Asheville, N. C.

There will be a home coming at Homerville, Ga., Church of God, Jan. 26. Everybody is invited to attend this great feast, especially those on the district. Please bring well-filled baskets and enjoy this great day of the Lord. There will be special music, singing, and preaching throughout the day and night. Night services will close with communion and feet washing, and will also bring to a close a wonderful revival conducted by Brother and Sister Orion L. Alewine.—G. E. Poole, pastor.

To whom it may concern: My address is Grace Grant, Andrews, N. C., Box 503.

To the members of the church at Kentwood, La.: As we have members away from the church here, we take this means of appealing to each of you for \$1.00 per member to reseat our church. Our benches are in bad condition and we want to reseat it with factory-made benches. Surely you will do your part. We have set the date of payment as Feb. 12. May the Lord bless each of you.—O. B. Myrick, pastor, Kentwood, La.

To whom it may concern: I feel, and have felt for sometime, that I would like to be out in the work once more. God has really called me and I know nothing will go right until I take a firm stand. Only God knows of the trials I have had on account of my stand. Things are getting worse. I would like to work with someone headed for the West. I cannot stand the climate here. Any one may write to Brother E. Haynes in regard to my work. I play the piano, guitar, and am studying the mandolin. I have not had the privilege of attending any real services for several months. I feel as though I am nearly starved spiritually. Praise God, I have the victory in spite of it all.—A willing worker, (Miss) Edna L. Elliott, Nellie, Ohio.

The Church of God at Murry's Chapel, Ala., would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Grover Blackburn, said to be in Georgia, also Ella Davis. If not heard from by our next conference, their names will be dropped from the roll.—L. J. Frondorf, Jr., clerk., Rt. 1, Springville, Ala.

I take this means to thank those who sent me the Bibles, also those who wrote me. May the Lord bless them is my prayer. I am passing the Bibles on to those who do not have any. Pray that a preacher will come here as there isn't a Church of God here. Still pray for the healing and saving of my husband.—One who believes, Mrs. Mary Groves, Warren, Ark., Star Route.

The church at Fairview, Doddsville, Miss., would like to know the address and spiritual condition of A. F. Blount, S. D. Denson, H. H. Nelms, Willard Sanders, Leona Blount, Ollie Gasaway, Maud Smith, Bessie Shurley, Ena Deaton, Myrtis Sanders, Maudine Gary, Eurina Sanders. If not heard from before our next conference, their names will be dropped from our church roll.—D. L. Burlison, clerk, Rt. 2, Ruleville, Miss.

To the Church of God on the Lansing

district: Let's try to get a revival in every church before the state assembly. Come on, let's try and raise our mission quota by that time, and don't forget the aged ministers' fund.—Yours for a good year, W. A. Walker, district overseer.

The Church of God at Clark's Chapel, Point, Tex., wants to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Ida Little, Beulah Daniels, Opal Simmons, and Florence Simmons, by next conference, which convenes the first Wednesday night in March.—Mrs. Lillian Eskue, clerk, Rt. 1.

To the Church of God ministers everywhere: Greetings. I would like to have your co-operation in a small matter that will well be worth a few minutes of your time. I want the picture of every minister in the Church of God (with your wife, if she chooses), also a few lines attached, telling when and where you were born, how long you have been a minister in the Church of God, from what organization you came to the Church of God (if any), the past offices you have held in the Church, also your present position—pastor, district overseer, state overseer, Y. P. E. superintendent of what state, Sunday School superintendent of what state, or evangelist of what state; also if you are a bishop, evangelist, or exhorter, and if you are pastoring. I also want the picture of your church building, where it is located, when it was erected, and by whom. Now if there is a church without a pastor, I would like to have the deacon or clerk send his picture with the picture of said church building. Now, minister, if you want a part and picture in this, let me hear from you soon and then I'll show you why we want these, D. V.—Your brother in Christ, Thos. G. Evans, Rt. 3, Bx. 48, Uniontown, Pa.

Evangelist and Mrs. J. W. Sullivan have opened fire on the enemy here in Marietta. Despite the inclement weather, the crowds have been splendid. There is a good interest being manifested. People from other churches who are unfamiliar with our glorious doctrine, are attending with increasing regularity. Methodists, Baptists and members of other denominations are getting concerned about this good gospel. Evangelist Sullivan, being a former newspaper editor, is able to present the truth of the Bible in an interesting manner. The revival has not broken through as yet. We earnestly beg the prayers of our brethren. We must have a revival. God bless you as you pray for us.—Joel Stamper, pastor.

*"And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him," Judges 16:20.*

THE text relates to Samson's experience with a woman of the Philistines, "the languishing one," whom he loved in the valley of Sorek. It is very broad in its scope and may be applied to the Church of God in all generations. Causes and events blend as colors, and there are no accidents in Bible history.

The glory had departed from Israel, and Samson was the man God could use to begin a great reformation. His mission was indicated at the announcement of his birth, when the angel said to his mother: "He shall begin to deliver Israel." Samson was a Nazarite, therefore called to special tasks. Nazarites were separated unto God and pledged to do His will. The sign was long hair braided into seven locks. The rule was total abstinence from all that appeared to be evil or unclean. Their whole power was dedicated to God.

Samson was not of giant size as were some of the Philistines, therefore, his strength was not natural, but spiritual, bound up with fidelity to his Nazarite vow. This was an embodied lesson to Israel that her power lay in separation from idol lust and entire consecration to God. No foe could withstand them whilst true to Him, but when they forsook Him for the fascinations of the world, their power was gone and every enemy could triumph over them.

God is the source of all power, therefore, man derives his power from God, and is only an agent—not a sovereign. The most that man can do is to transmute one kind of power into another and make indefinite applications of it. Franklin did not make a single volt of electricity, nor Watt an atom of steam; they only harnessed the energy of these elements and adjusted them to useful purposes. David said, "Power belongeth unto God," and Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." These two men of God knew the source of their strength and were not egotistic.

When God departed from Samson, his power was gone, and strange as it may seem, he was insensible to his loss. He said, "I will go out as at other times before and shake myself," but he understood not that "God was departed from him" and that he was powerless. Hitherto he had been able to shake off his bands and mock his enemies, but now he becomes a prey to them. All his efforts to

## Insensible Backsliding

BY J. P. HUGHES

demonstrate God's power were fruitless for God had departed from him. He had yielded to the tempter and became weak like other men. He was pleased by a woman of the world and lost his standing with God. Delilah pressed him sorely and he yielded gradually. The eclipse is not an instant veiling of the sun's brightness. So with the backsliding of a strong man.

Samson was bewitched with the fair face of a strange woman, and her beguilements were tightly woven about him. She was the political emissary of the Philistine lords to find out from Samson the secret of his strength. On four different occasions she tempted him to tell the secret, and on the third occasion Samson trifled so presumptuously with the Divine gift committed to him as to suggest that his seven consecrated locks should be woven with the web. When men go to the edge of temptation their fall is near. This "languishing" prostitute, with her vile challenging of his love, and by daily vexing importunity, wrung the secret from him on the fourth occasion. His strength lay in dedication to God of which his Nazarite locks were the sign. Laying down his head in her lap he lost them, and with them he lost God in him, the source of a strength that was not his own.

The strong man's eyes were put out, and he sat grinding at the mill! A miserable captive, he bemoans his loss, but alas for the enemy—his hair is growing. The Philistines in great numbers assemble at the festival of Dagon to offer sacrifice. Samson bears their mockery in silence, but he is thinking of the vow of consecration. The payment of his vow is at hand, and his hour has come. He gropes for the pillars of the temple and prays to be strengthened once more. Bowing himself with all his might, the huge edifice falls with a crash, and thousands of his enemies perish in the debris.

Here is our lesson. The secret of success is in the consecration of the church's energy to its mission. A tallow candle cannot be thrown through the curtain of a tent, but it can be shot through an oak plank. The reason is the concentration of power. When power is misdirected, it is wasted and lost, but many seem to be unconscious of this fact. They waste the divine gift of God's power by misdirecting it and when their efforts in His service prove a failure, they "wist not" that God has departed from them.

Oh, for a revival of power in the

Church of the living God! Oh, for a mighty awakening to the sense of our loss! Christ gave Himself for the Church

that He might sanctify and cleanse it, that it might be a Nazarite dedicated to Him. God endowed it with power for service, and He is grieved when said power is wasted in needless arguments and political schemes. The Church of God is foreign to the world and must not go to it for any assistance in carrying out her mission. James speaks of the friendship of the world in the following words: "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God," James 4:4. It should be noted that the Bible classes those who will be a friend to the world as adulterers and adulteresses. The word "world" in this connection comes from the Greek "kosmos" meaning, "orderly arrangement, social order of things." In this sense the world is none other than "Babylon the great, the mother of harlots." Therefore, those who will be a friend to the world and borrow her methods, principles and arrangements, and bring them into the church, are regarded as spiritual adulterers and adulteresses. The Scriptures prove that the Church of God is not of the world, even as Christ was not of the world. Therefore, it is evident that there is no place in the Church for anything that pertains to the present "social order of things."

In these days, order is made a special issue in the Church, but the main question is, what kind of order shall we have? Is it divine order or social order that we clamor for? If we do things in divine order, the Church will have power. But if we cater to the social order of things (the world), the Church will lose its power. When the Church of God looks to the world for fashion, principle or methods, it is doing the same thing Samson did when he slept with his head in the harlot's lap. That is how Samson lost the sign of consecration and when he gave up the sign he gave up God, and lost his strength. Certain signs must follow the Church to prove her identity in the world, and when she loses the signs the loss of her power is inevitable. One of the special signs, by which we may be known by all men, is the love we have for each other. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, because ye have love one to another," John 13:35. The message to the church of Ephesus shows that when the Church loses its love, it is in a fallen state and subject to removal. "God is love" and

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things. An unconverted man cannot touch truth, in the Scriptural sense, though he can say that which is true. The conversation of the Christian is something beyond having to do with true things in the world.

In the closing section of Ephesians 4, we have the following subjects summarized: We are not to give place to the devil. We are to contribute to those in need. We are sealed in view of the day of redemption of the inheritance which already belongs to us. The Spirit's presence is the pledge of that inheritance. Malice and all its correlatives belong to "the old man". We put on "the new man"—a new order which after God is created in righteousness and holiness of truth. Christ forgave us, as He frankly forgave both the debtors in the Gospel's narration. Too often we forgive as if we were doing some heroic thing.

God never gives people easy things to do. He enables us to do what is impossible to the natural man, because we are cast upon Him, and the Spirit is given to us to enable us to do naturally impossible things. We are to be tender-hearted. If we are hard-hearted we cannot displace the feeling by any natural agency. Christ had none of these things. He was the revelation of God. So are we intrusted with the continuation of His ministry. We have His life, therefore we are not mere imitators, as commonly understood, but are endowed with power to follow in His steps.

Where was the life of God manifested? It was manifested in the death of Christ, which was in harmony with His life. That life was self-sacrificing."—From "The Truth and The Life" in Gospel Herald.

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### DISTURBANCES AMONG THE NATIONS

Most every paper and magazine you pick up is giving an account of the war in Ethiopia. Those poor brothers' hearts and minds are stirred against those who are opposing them. War implements are placed in their hands to destroy their enemies. Thousands of them have never had a divine touch from God and know but little about real love. What a pity when we think of the condition across the sea. Japan is determined to conquer China, and with the forces of the Ethiopians and the Italians, it seems as though something stormy for the world is ahead. The black and brown nations far outstrip the Anglo-Saxons or white nations, and there is something in the hearts of these people that nothing but the love of Jesus can take out. Without an overspreading of love and salvation in these Mongolian and black nations and a

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## ✻ Editorials ✻

I have just visited the preachers' meeting for the State of Tennessee, which convened at Knoxville, Jan. 15, 16. There were thirty-five or forty preachers in attendance and all seemed to be greatly enthused over the outlook for the Church in 1936. Many resolutions were passed concerning the work and all pledged themselves to be loyal to the Church and all its teachings. We trust that God will abundantly reward these servants for their faithful service and thousands of souls will be blessed by their labors this year.

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We are still receiving a few cards stating that the subscribers are not receiving their Evangels. Our records show that these papers are leaving here every week and there is something wrong in the postal deliveries or you are not calling for your paper. We are still receiving a few Evangels returned to us from the different post offices. Will you please inquire at the postoffice or of your mail carrier and help us to get these papers delivered to their proper places?

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### PUBLISHING HOUSE

The Publishing House is running full time. Everybody seems cheerful and we are loaded with work. If you should fail to get your work just as soon as you expect it, please bear with us as we have to do the jobs as they come to us. We wish to thank the people on the field for their patronage and assure you that we are doing our best to take care of every request that comes to us.

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### LOVE ONE ANOTHER

The first and greatest commandment of our Lord is that we love—first, God, with all our hearts and minds, and then our neighbor as ourselves. Because it is a commandment, the believer should be careful to obey, for his blessings depend upon obedience. God never makes a use-

less statement, nor does He issue a mandate that He does not expect us to heed. When He asks us to manifest love one for another, He refers, of course, to the love of God which has been shed abroad in our hearts by faith. In other words, give God a chance to love the brethren thru you. That act implies yieldedness to the voice of the Holy Spirit. We rebel very often against loving our brethren. We refuse to let God love them through us. Is it any wonder that there is contention and strife and every evil thing in the Church and other Christian organizations? "Perfect love casteth out fear."

Therefore, don't be afraid of the brethren; love them! The overflow of our love should be great enough to reach the unsaved. Perhaps that is why we are not reaching them. There is no overflow. "Love one another."—*The Pilot*.

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### IN THE BEGINNING

"In the beginning was the Word", but He was God. No one but God could declare that message. Not only Christ's words, but His ways and conduct expressed God. We learn in the Lord the whole truth, and we learn also what man is in the eyes of God. Moses did not bring the truth. He said what was true, but it was very limited in scope. The law came by Moses, but not the truth. It declared what suited God's holiness, it manifested man's sin, it showed what man should be; but God was in the dark, as far as man's apprehension was concerned. There was no full revelation of God until grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. What God intends that we shall be was shown.

The Lord Jesus came and said in effect, "I am coming to make you what I am." We are His workmanship. Of old, God wrote on the tables of stone. They were His workmanship. The life of God is the same as the life of Christ in Colossians.

Hence we are adjured to put away all lying and malice (Eph. 4). Truth conveys a deeper meaning than merely true

TEXT: John 4:  
24a.

# GOD IS A SPIRIT

There are some who think of God as being a mere man and some, the breath which we breathe, but the Bible, we believe, makes it plain that God is a being that exists and has existed from before the world began.

The Greek word for God is "Theos", meaning God, an object of worship; the Hebrew is "Eloheim", meaning the same. God, Webster says, is a supreme being, the eternal and infinite Spirit, the Creator.

God is a supernatural power, a being, and highest in authority, God is omnipresence, omniscient, and omnipotent.

## OMNIPRESENT

God is omnipresent, universal presence. He is everywhere, *Psa. 139:7-12*. David knew he could not escape or hide himself from the allwise God. The seventh verse says, "Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?" Though he ascends into heaven, or makes his bed in hell, "Sheol", or in the uttermost parts of the sea, God is ever present.

Jonah found the God who called him to Nineveh, in the depths of the sea and he remembered God and His might to destroy the disobedient. David said, "The ungodly are not so, but the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous." Jonah acknowledged that salvation was of the Lord, *Jonah 2:9*. God is everywhere, but not in every place alike. The metropolis of God is Heaven, the place where He is especially and visibly manifested. *Rev. 21:2*, John saw the holy city coming down from God out of heaven.

## OMNISCIENT

God is omniscient, God knoweth all things and is perfect in knowledge. He sees all that is done, He knoweth the good and the evil, He knows man in his experiences, thoughts, sorrows; He knoweth the work of His own creation and can care for it and protect us from the evils of this life. *2 Tim. 1:12*, "For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." Paul knew the God he worshipped daily and believed Him to be in existence and having a power to keep him.

Our God saw and knew the oppression of His people, Israel, when they were in Egyptian bondage, *Ex. 3:7*. Job spoke of His wondrous works and of His perfect knowledge, *Job. 37:16*. "For the ways of man are before the eyes of the Lord, and he pondereth all his goings," *Prov. 5:21*. God knows them that are His. Are you a servant of the mighty

God?

## OMNIPOTENT

God is a supreme being and above all in power. He is an infinite, independent, and perfect being; all things are possible with God, His power is limited only by His will.

## HIS POWER IN THE BEGINNING

*Gen. 1:1*, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." "All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made," *Jno. 1:3*. After God created every beast of the field and fish of the sea, and saw that it was good, He said, "Let us make man in our image," *Gen. 1:26*. Man in the beginning was perfect and without blame, but was warned lest he be tempted and fall from that perfect state in which God created him. He was made after the very likeness of God, referring to His spiritual, intellectual and moral likeness, *Gen. 1:27*. He is made up of Spirit, soul and body. God is Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. When man was deceived and fell, he became imperfect and was found guilty before God, but God in His supremacy planned a way of redemption through the shedding of blood.

## UNDER THE LAW AND HOW LONG WAS IT TO LAST?

There are three dispensations. (1) Patriarchal. (2) Written Law. (3) Grace and Mercy.

Under the patriarchal dispensation, God demanded that they worship Him and Him only. The law was given because of transgression and was to give knowledge of sin. Grace and mercy is to make holy and take away sin.

Under the law they offered the blood of animals and the ashes of the burnt offering, but it did not restore to that once-perfect state. God in His supremacy made a better sacrifice and offered His Son. Under grace we're made holy and our sins are taken away. "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree," *Gal. 3:13*. God's gift to us meant life when we were dead and without hope. *Eph. 2:4-5*, "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace we are saved)."

When Christ came to die the death as a sacrifice, He fulfilled and finished the law, He came to do the will of God as it was written of Him, *Psa. 40:7*. Heb.

10:7, "Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God."

That was God's will and purpose to do away with the old law and bring in a better and more perfect way.

After the fulfilling of God's will by His Son, Jesus, God has made a way to keep His people from the world and condemnation. He prayed that God would not take us out of the world but just keep us from the evil, *John 17:15*. Then He said He would pray the Father and He would send us another comforter, that He may abide with us forever, and guide us in all truth and righteousness. God in His power and knowledge, thru the law gave knowledge of sin, then He sent His Son to save from sin, and the Holy Ghost, which is the Comforter, to reprove the world of sin. Each of them have a work but they receive their power and commission from God.

At the end of the dispensation of time, when all enemies will have been put down and Jesus has completed His work as a mediator between God and man, He'll turn to His Father with all power and be in subjection to Him. He is still the same God, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Conclusion: *Psa. 66:7a*, "He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves."

## A Mind To Work

On Sunday night, Jan. 12th, at The Church of God, Boswell, Pa., we had a wonderful feast with the Lord. He came down in mighty power and our souls were filled with the good blessings of God. Brother Blankenship was in charge. Brother Bruner from Juniata was with us too. We had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord's Supper was in the manner of two children of God sitting at the table and two kneeling behind them tarrying, *1 Cor. 11*. Twenty-nine took part in the Lord's Supper and feet washing.

We have planned for years to build a church but last year we received a mind to work and have a good bit of it up. We obtained a zeal to work under the preaching of Brother R. C. Muncy. We don't owe but forty dollars on our building and may get the opportunity to work it out. The Lord is providing for our financial needs. Brother Blankenship, our state overseer, and at present our local pastor, is also urging us on to finish our building. Pray that we may ever keep true to our Savior.—Ralph Miller.

# Jesus the Perfect Man

BY A. J. BEARD

SINCE the dawn of history there has been no character like Jesus. As a preacher, a teacher, philosopher, and a doer of things, no man has ever had the sweep and vision that Jesus had. An analysis of His life has shown Him to be perfect and amazing in every detail. The system of true religion taught by Jesus two thousand years ago was true then, has been true, and will be true forever.

Plato, a thinker, philosopher, and teacher taught things that have not stood the test of time. In many things, time and experience have shown that he erred.

The doctrine that Confucius taught 550 B. C. relative to virtue and charity was good but moral and mental dry rot partly displaced his teachings.

The teachings of Buddha resulted in mental and moral chaos and placed India in spiritual darkness. The handicap of this false doctrine can be seen by superstition and ignorance that holds the people of India in chains.

Mohammed offered a system of philosophy which was adopted by millions of people. Today, the offspring of these people live in deserts, where once stood great cities, by the side of dry rivers where once tall grass grew. They live in the shadows of wind-swept hills, mountains, and dry places where once fine crops grew.

Napoleon, the great Corsican, probably the greatest of all military men, once had the European and Asiatic world at his feet. He shed innocent blood in the deep sorrows of Russia, brought tears to the eyes of mothers, on two continents, destroyed the flower of youth in nations, sent fear into the lives of kings, and was finally conquered. The world marches on as if he never lived.

The world's most learned doctors a few hundred years ago gave medical remedies to the human race that have since proved to be failures. Great empires of the past built upon the principles of unrighteousness fell and have disappeared. The philosophy of Thomas Aquinas that was once studied by multitudes, has in part been abandoned. The doctrine once taught by Arius, which led many souls to spiritual slaughter, has proved to be untrue.

While Jesus looked to the soul, other men looked upon the material things of life. Jesus taught that character was greater than gold, that honesty was the best policy, and last, that truth was eternal. Two thousand years have gone by, but no man can find a flaw in the governmental system as outlined by Je-

sus. Not a phrase or sentence uttered by Him in these passing years has become obsolete. Jesus spoke the truth, lived in truth, His truth is eternal.

History has no record of any other man who was perfect and orderly in everything. No other man born of woman could touch the hearts, lives, and minds of people as Jesus did. No character in the world's history has been able to preach a sermon as Jesus preached on the mount. Many of the phrases in this discourse had probably never been spoken before Jesus spoke them. Eternity alone will reveal the influence of this sermon.

No poet, historian, moralist, philosopher, or dreamer ever loved humanity as Jesus loved. No man could heal, preach, testify, and raise the dead as Jesus did. Of all the thinkers, philosophers, educators, sages, and intellectuals, none could save from sins but Jesus. When life is over and men are judged, they will all be forced to acknowledge that Jesus is King.

Who was Jesus? He was not a spiritual weakling, a double minded man, an unrighteous dreamer. He was the King of kings. He had a vision of the past, a knowledge of the present, and a sweeping view of the future. He was a divine being born in obscurity, and reared in poverty.

Jesus was never greater than when He said, while on the cross, "It is finished." His spirit was then safely on its way to glory. The coming of the Holy Ghost was imminent, and the salvation of man was approaching.

On this earth where millions are born and die every year, where every tick of the clock sees a soul arriving and a soul departing, Christ is the greatest of all consolations. He is the Master Savior of the arriving soul, the Conqueror of the departing soul. His is a character of pure goodness, self-sacrifice, kindness, and blessedness. He is the character that never made a mistake nor uttered an unkind word.

The earnest man reviews in humility and sorrow the short life of One who came to save the world. You see the wandering of the Divine who had no place to lay His head. You see the trial before Pontius Pilate, governor sent from Rome to a conquered land, and the dreadful sentence, crucifixion, the punishment of the Romans, unknown among the Jews, never inflicted by them. And at last the cruel journey from Jerusalem to the top of the hill called Golgo-

tha, meaning "the skull," the hours of agony, the cruel thrust of the Roman spear, darkness

covering the earth, and, rising from dark death and the tomb, the Divine Spirit, Light, and Hope of the world forevermore.

## Every One Took Part

FALKVILLE, Ala.—We thank and praise the Lord for the revival just closed here at Hills Chapel. We are few in number but the Lord blessed. One was saved, one sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, one reclaimed and the saints revived. Everybody seemed to take a part. The preaching was done by Brothers August Murray and Henry Cook. We believe Brother Murray is a real man of God. Pray that the Lord will bless him in his service. Pray for the church here. Pray for me to receive the Holy Ghost and for my four-year-old boy who is afflicted.—A believer in The Church of God, Hattie Hubbard.

## Earned and Won State Banner

I thank the Lord for answering prayer. I praise God for the way He is blessing in Rock Hill, S. C. Never have I found a more loyal, lovable people than I have found here. I told the people that I wanted them to work hard and get the South Carolina state Sunday School banner. They worked hard under the able leadership of the superintendent, Brother Paul Stover, and thank God, the Rock Hill Sunday School has the state banner.

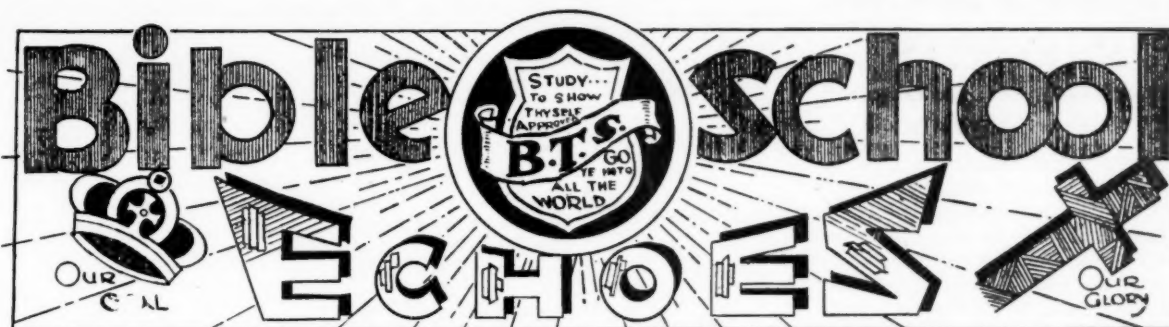
We are a band of people who love God and His Church, and are doing all we can to make His Church prosper.—E. L. Jacobs, pastor.

## A Good Work

THOMASVILLE, Ala.—I praise the Lord for our little church here at Bagley Chapel. We are getting along fine. We have a good pastor and we love him and his family. We don't have so many members, but the Lord is surely good to us. We had a wonderful Christmas program. People who saw it said it was the best they had ever seen.

We have a good Sunday School and keep plenty of money in the treasury for literature, which we thank the Lord for. Pray for us, we love the Church and all its teachings. Call our name in prayer as we need prayer. Our pastor this year is Brother I. V. Stevens. He surely is nice to us and we thank the Lord him.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Brigham Knight.





### Building A Better Nation

When God spoke to Abraham and said, "Get thee out of thy country and from thy kindred and from thy father's house into a land that I will shew thee," a serious problem was presented to his mind, for this meant a tremendous sacrifice to leave the country where he had plenty of gold, cattle, herdsmen, men-servants and plentiful green lands for pastures. The Spirit of God said, "Go", and God had given him a wonderful promise. Abraham could not see the hardships which were lying in wait on his journey, but prompted by the words of promise, he turned his face toward the northern skies and pushed into a great unknown that a nation might grow. A stranger, a pilgrim in a foreign land but to be the father of a new race. He led the life of a nomad, worshipping Jehovah among the polytheistic people of Canaan. He made the sacrifice, His creative work is finished, but if the same Spirit that dwelt with Abraham's heart and drove him to make a sacrifice that a nation might grow, which would serve Jehovah and worship in spirit and in truth, should seize upon our hearts today, we would be more eager to push into the great unknown depths of self-sacrifice and loyalty to carry the gospel message to lost and dying souls. In Gal. 3:6 we read, "Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham." If we be the children of Abraham, why don't we let that same Spirit that led him, lead us into greater works for God.

This same Spirit that bade Abraham go, drove Moses in to face a great king. It made him "choose rather to suffer afflictions with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." It led him with a host of chosen children across the path of blue waters, into a desert land of a wilderness, and to suffer hardships on the journey, to a promised land.

The same Spirit said, "We will not kneel down and worship your image of gold but we will suffer the torments of martyrdom in flames of fire. Thank God

for men who have that true blood of Jesus in their soul.

The same Spirit drove Paul over the deep blue waters to foreign countries, in the paths of persecutions and hardships, but he fought the battles, and won sweet victories.

The same Spirit said, "God giveth and God taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

Led by the same Spirit people went to the stakes, suffered, and died in agonizing flames of fire to uphold the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The same Spirit today should possess our mortal beings and put our souls on fire for God. It will set the sail of the human soul and bring us to a place of study. God needs men and women to teach and drill into the hearts of little

boys and girls the true Christ. He needs them in the public schools. You may not be a preacher but a teacher. Let that Spirit drive you to a higher education, and serve God in that capacity.

God needs Spirit-filled men to stand in a blue suit on the street corner and fight crime. You may be a chief. Let that Spirit drive you to a higher position in life.

These are the last words of a murderer named Rogan, who plunged to his death on San Quentin, California, gallows, cursing the law which made no effort to keep firearms out of his hand: "If firearms were unavailable to civilians, the sort of thing I am here for would not have happened." Where is the God-given officers who will allow a

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### Ministers, Deacons, Sunday School Teachers, and Y. P. E. Workers, Study at Home!

The Bible Training School is now offering to its many friends a special opportunity to take up a study of the Bible at home, and at a very low cost.

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## REPORTS

### Not Tired of the Way

ENNIS, Tex.—I praise the Lord for keeping me through another year. I praise Him for saving me before it was too late. I have had the blessing for two years and I have never got tired of this life yet. I am glad I learned to trust Him for my body and for my baby's body. It is three months and three weeks old and has never had a dose of medicine. You know the devil is working hard.

I praise the Lord for healing my baby last Wednesday night. That was the hardest test I ever had since I have had the blessing. My baby nearly had locked bowels. There were knots in her stomach. I told the Lord if He would heal her I would tell the world about it and I am trying to do that. Please pray for her as she has boils in her head. Also pray for my lost mother, father, brothers and sisters that they will be saved before it is too late. Pray for my mother's body as she is in bad health.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Crecy Alford, 904 N. Kaufman St.

### Won't It Be Wonderful There

N. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — I praise God for what He is to me. He is all and all to me. Praise His name. I am still saved, sanctified, heaven's good holy Ghost still abides, and I still belong to The Church of God. I still trust Him as my Physician. I had undergone three operations and was given up to die by a number of doctors. Just a few days before I was saved I said I was going to trust the Lord until I died.

It has been over two years since I was saved and I still have that deep determination, thank God. Although I am still in failing health, I suffer much, more than words can tell, yet I mean to go all the way with Him, it matters not what the cost may be. I am shouting the victory daily and am on my way to heaven in spite of all Satan can do. I feel like traveling on. Sometimes I really get homesick for heaven and say, "How long, O Lord, must I stay here?" But some day I can bid this old world good-bye and go home to live with Jesus. Won't it be wonderful there?

I am deprived so much of being in services but some day I can go to services that will never end. My membership is at Kellys Ferry church. Oh, how I love the dear Church of God.

I have an urgent unspoken request and I want every child of God to pray that God will answer. Dear ones, I have even fasted and oh, how I have prayed. Please don't pass this by unheeded, but

please pray.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Alcy Ritchie, Rt. 5.

### Called To The Ministry

Heb. 13:8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever." I am praising God to-day for His great divine power. I read the Evangel and when I read about so many people wanting prayer, my heart throbs. Jesus said in Mark 16:15-18, "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my NAME shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Thank God for this scripture.

I was a drunkard, tobacco fiend, liar and many other things. God picked me up out of nothing and set me over in the middle of everything. I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and called to the ministry. Jesus has healed me many times of severe sicknesses and has healed others. I was called to the bedside of a lady who had had a stroke in one side. One side was stiff and her limb was stiff. God healed her. She came out of bed shouting, praising God. We were called to the bedside of another lady who had a goitre. It looked like she would choke to death but King Jesus healed her and she is still well. Thank the Lord! A brother sent to church one night for us. They said the man was going to die. When I got there he was walking the floor wringing his hands and crying. He had been in that condition for many hours. There was a Pentecostal preacher and one Foursquare preacher and several other people who had been praying. We all began praying for Jesus to cast the devil out, and glory to Jesus, He did. We began dancing and praising God. One night my mother-in-law was at the point of death and a man came for me to go and pray for a Methodist brother who had got sanctified a few days before. I told him I couldn't leave then, but if the man didn't get any better to come back. I got on my knees, got hold of Jesus and He healed my mother-in-law at eleven o'clock. The man came back. I dressed and went over. The brother was paralyzed almost from his waist up. He couldn't talk. We began praying and Jesus came on the scene and healed the man. He got up and sat down on the bed, praising God for deliverance. Some one had slipped and called the doctor and he came, but thank God, he was too late, the great Physician had al-

ready healed him. The doctor walked in, looked over the room surprised and ordered me out but the man wouldn't let him examine him. He said God healed him. The doctor left mad.

Please pray for me to stay where the dear Lord can use me. If any one wants to write me, my address is Concord, N. C., c/o Brown Mill Co.—Floud A. Roger.

### Blessed With Revival

BROOKHAVEN, Miss.—I praise God for the revival held here in December in which Sister Ora Mae Ruff did the preaching. Many souls were blessed and the saints are greatly encouraged.

On Sunday after the revival closed Wednesday night, two were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Others were blessed and several were at the altar.

Any one wanting a real good preacher just call Sister Ruff. Please remember us when you pray.—Mrs. Zula Belle Wooten, clerk.

### A Failure Without God

TOLEDO, Ohio.—Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord: I thank and praise God for Jesus, His dear Son who died on the cross that we might be freed from sin and serve Him. I do thank and praise Him for His healing power and His mercy towards me, bless His good name. I mean to go all the way with Him. We can do nothing of ourselves, we are just a failure without God. The devil surely does try to discourage me sometimes, but I truly want to hold to God because Jesus is coming soon, I want to be ready when He comes or calls for me.

Saints, help me pray for my unsaved people. I know the Lord is able. There is nothing impossible with God. I want to do more for Him this year than ever before. Pray for my two sisters and one brother, also some of my friends. I know if the Lord doesn't undertake for my oldest sister she won't be here long. I also have two young girls and a son to pray for. I believe my son is saved. Please help pray for The Church of God at Toledo, Ohio. We have to move, we need your prayers. Oh, I will be glad some day, if we are faithful and true to God, we won't have to move any more, we won't have any more pain or sorrow.

I have a very urgent request and an unspoken request, also pray for me that I will grow stronger in the Lord and stay under the precious blood of Jesus. It surely is not going to pay to turn back now. Those who endure to the end will be saved. I truly want to see souls saved. Please pray for my two requests, also me. I would appreciate encouraging letters.—A sister in the Lord, Mrs. Eva Smith, 1953 Champlain.



## Requests

Please pray for my mother, Mrs. Thos. G. Evans, Star Rt., Box 53, Ensley, Ala., who has been in ill health for a while. She has trusted God for a number of years and I know He is still able to heal her completely. Letters of encouragement would be highly appreciated by her.—Thos. G. Evans.

Dear saints: I have been suffering with indigestion and my eyes for a long time and no medicine does me any good. Now I am turning my case over to the Lord. I know He can heal me and I want every saint to pray that He will heal me and give me the Holy Ghost. Remember Mr. and Mrs. Bowman in your prayers.—One who needs prayer, Amelia C. H., Va.

Please pray a special prayer for our church here at Amelia. Pray for all the members to get closer to God. The Lord is blessing here. I surely praise the Lord for salvation. Please fast and pray if you will, for Sister Bowman who has not been well for quite a while. I feel that God will heal her if we will get close to Him in prayer. Pray that my loved ones will get close to God. Pray for my husband to be healed.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Earnest Inman, Rt. 2, Amelia C. H., Va.

Please pray earnestly for a very important unspoken request.—A friend.

Dear saints, pray that God will get hold of my son and his wife, that they will do the right thing. Pray that He will undertake for me as I am alone.—Jackson Holland, Madison, S. C., Rt. 1.

Please pray a special prayer for me. It seems that the devil has me bound. Also pray for the church here.—Frank Yancey, Edinburg, Texas.

I ask that every one pray a special prayer for a friend of mine. I am many miles from home but God will answer prayer. This person has been on my heart for quite a while and I have been praying. Please help me pray.—A B. T. S. student.

I'm still praising God for victory. He has healed me many times and I request that every child of God have a special prayer for me as I have spells of high blood pressure. Don't forget me when you pray.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. P. Cashatt.

Dear saints everywhere: Please pray that I will be healed of asthma and get closer to the Lord. Also pray that my wife will be saved from sin. Pray as never before for us.—A brother in Christ, J. H. Holly.

Please pray a special prayer for me that I may be healed and get closer to the Lord. I know He can heal me of this run-down condition for He has been my healer for about nine years. Pray for me to get closer and do more for my Savior. Please pray for God to save my poor lost husband from that awful life of sin.—A sister in Christ, Velma Thrash.

Dear Evangel family: Please pray earnestly for my husband's eyes, also pray for me as I have a tumor and am looking to God for my healing. Pray that I may get closer to God and be just what He would have me be. Please pray earnestly.—A sister.

Dear readers: Pray for God to undertake in behalf of an unspoken request. He knows all about it so please pray.—A distressed family in Florida.

We are in a revival at Phoenix, Ariz. Brother Hamilton from Wichita Falls, Texas, is in charge. Four have been reclaimed and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We earnestly covet your prayers for the success of the meeting. The enemy is working with all power. Our pastor, Brother Ernest Wilson, has just arrived and we love him and believe he will be a blessing to the church here. Brother L. L. Milam stopped one night with us when on his way to Oregon. We surely enjoyed their special songs and his sermon.—Yours in Christ, E. G. Honchell.

I want you all to join me in prayer for my son who is to be operated on February 4. He is not saved and needs Jesus so much in his life. Pray much, don't overlook this, but hold on till Jesus comes on the scene, for He is able to undertake in any case.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. J. D. Hudson.

Please pray that my sight will be restored. For the last month I have had to be led around. My head has hurt since last June. I love the Lord and want to serve Him and help others.—A fourteen-year-old sister, Virginia Messimer, Box 35, Strawn, Texas.

Dear brothers and sisters, please pray a special prayer for my brother, James Swangim. He has an infected place on his leg. He lost his other leg with blood poison some years ago. Remember me also. I am afflicted with pellagra and cancer is also threatening me. My brother is

looking toward the church and I belong to the church.—Your sister, Laura Fuson, Middlesboro, Ky.

Jesus has been so good to me. He saved my soul and has healed me many times, but Satan tries to make me doubt it. I know he is a liar. I was sick Christmas Eve night, had an awful headache and began to feel curious. I told the Lord if He would heal me, I would testify to it. I am sick now, but am better. I suffered much last night. Please remember me when you pray as one who needs prayer.—Mrs. Beatrice Parker, Cherokee Falls, S. C.

Dear Evangel readers: For several years now I have had a lump on my hand and it hurts when I try to do something. I know the Lord heals. He healed me when I was crippled and I know He can heal my hand too. Pray for me. Also pray a special prayer for one of my friends who says she is bound by the devil.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Ethel Roberts, Toledo, Ohio.

Please pray for the healing of the body of Bernard Logan. He is in a critical condition suffering with leakage of the heart and a paralytic fit. He is a Catholic, but we are grateful for a God who is no respecter of persons.—Yours in the Master's name, Miss Amelia DeFino.

Please pray a special prayer for Sister Lillian Wright, a young Church of God girl, who is in a very critical condition. The doctor says she won't live but I know that God is able to heal her.—A sister in Christ, Rhennetta Rickles.

I have a special request for prayer. The dear Lord knows what it is. So please pray if it is God's will to answer, we want His will to be done.—A sister under the blood.

Please pray for the healing of my body. All earthly help has failed but Jesus never fails. Immediately after the service in the Baptist pulpit I collapsed and was rushed to the city hospital here in St. Petersburg, Fla., where twelve doctors attended me but apparently there was no hope. It was while in the hospital God showed me how I had failed Him in not standing for the whole gospel. I promised Him that regardless of the cost I'd be true to the mission given when I received the Holy Ghost. Since then new life has come to me and by your united prayer I shall stand on my feet again. Brothers Hicks and Chesser, with other of the Church of God saints, have been a great help to me. Please remember me in prayer.—Sincerely, Thos. J. Logan.

## NOTICES

To the Sunday Schools in Missouri: Greetings in Jesus' dear name. Since I have been appointed state superintendent of Sunday Schools in this state I hope to have the hearty co-operation of all those who are interested in this great work. I feel that this is one of the greatest works we could engage in. If all the pastors and superintendents will co-operate with us, this will be the greatest year for the Sunday Schools in Missouri.

I wish to thank all those who have sent in their monthly reports and trust that those who haven't been reporting will please be prompt to report before the 10th of each month so we will be able to send the state banner to the school having the largest percentage of increase. Please let us work together and boost this great cause.

I here most humbly pledge to do everything that is within my power to make this a progressive year. Let us remember how Nehemiah and his co-workers built the walls of that city after they had lain waste for a number of years. The Bible said, "So built we the walls; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work." Thank God for such a spirit. And where the Spirit of the Lord is there is unity. If we will strive for that spirit, there is nothing that can keep us from doing a good work in old Missouri this year.

As I sit here and think of all of you scattered thru-out the state, doing your best, it really makes me want to do more for God and the Sunday Schools. There are so many things we can do in this work to help win souls and rescue boys and girls from the black hand of the devil who certainly is busy damning and leading them into unbelief of every kind. Also there are the orphans who need our help to carry out the plan as recommended by the Church, such as the penny march, etc. Let us be loyal to these teachings. We are also adopting a plan whereby we can be able to help the orphans in a greater measure. We are asking the men and young men classes to take a sacrifice offering each Sunday or at least one in each month, which will go to the boys' department at the orphanage. You can appoint some brother who has this work at heart, to boost this offering. Remember this is a love offering for the orphan boys. This brother also can be the treasurer and keep a record of the money received. The women and young women may do likewise for the girls' department. This offering will include pillow cases, sheets, quilts, dish towels, prints, hose, etc. Remember there

are many precious girls who do not have a mother's care. You can help them by co-operating with us. Keep account of what you raise from now until our state convention. Also, I expect to visit each district and have at least one Sunday School rally and an offering will be taken for this purpose. It will be turned over to your treasurer until the state convention, then the Sunday School having the largest per cent of offering, according to the size of the school, will receive a beautiful reward. I am having a picture painted of the resurrection and rapture, size 30x36. Any church will be proud of such a prize. Come on, let's go over the top. Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Don't forget your monthly report. Fill out the blank sent to you by our good state overseer, and send it to R. E. Worley, Valles Mines, Mo., before the 10th of each month.

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To the Wayne-Mingo district, West Virginia: All the clerks are requested to make a report of all the bishops, evangelists, deacons, or exhorters who belong to your local church who are not paying their tithes. Be sure to make this report if you have them.

Also all ministers on this district, if you are paying your tithes into some church other than where your membership is, will you please let us know as we don't want to report you to our state overseer if you are paying. If the pastors fail to raise their mission quota, this will authorize each clerk to take their mission quota from their tithes. Raising this mission quota is compulsory now, so you had better get busy or it will be deducted from your tithes.—E. R. Noel, district overseer.

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We are praising God for victory over sin and the devil. We ask the saints everywhere to pray for the revival at Adamsville, Ala., which is being held by the writer, that the Lord will still continue to bless. Eight have been reclaimed, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. We are thanking the Lord for the convicting power which is here. We are open for revival calls anywhere in Alabama. If you want a service, drop us a card. Our address is Evangelist G. L. Stone and wife, Adamsville, Ala. If Brother Lewis of Toledo, Ohio, sees this, write to me.

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I would like to hear from every district overseer in Pennsylvania in regard to a state paper. A brother has promised to sell me a printing press at a very reasonable price, so I would like to hear from all the district overseers, if none other than your address, then I can write

you full details.—Thos. G. Evans, Rt. 3, Box 48, Uniontown, Pa.

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To the ministers, class leaders and laity in the State of Virginia: Greetings in Jesus' dear name. Just a few lines in behalf of our dear beloved state overseer. I suppose you all know by this time that he got his leg broken just before Christmas, which, perhaps, will keep him confined to his home for quite a while. I haven't heard from him for some little time, so I don't know to just what extent his injury is, but I am sure that he will be able to visit the churches as he would like to. I was just thinking that we might perhaps neglect to rally to his support just as much as we should. Now we know that if we were knocked out, crippled, we would be unable to help ourselves to a great extent, and sick and crippled folks require greater care than well folks, so I am asking each church and minister to please try to mail him an offering. Even if it is small it will help, and I am sure that the dear Lord will reward you for it and you will never regret it. I fully believe that Brother J. L. Dorman is a God-sent man to the State of Virginia. Let's also pray that the dear Lord will soon get him back on the field sound and well. May the dear Lord bless you all. Brother Dorman's address is J. L. Dorman, Box 2234, Roanoke, Va. —Your brother in Christ, A. J. Cox.

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Greenville (S. C.) Church of God will be on the air Sunday, Jan. 26th, over station WFBC, remote control, from church time, 3:00 p. m., until 3:45 p. m. Tune in. If unable to get us for first program or so, keep trying. Station is soon stepping up to five thousand watts. —Earl Paulk.

## REQUESTS

I have two requests for prayer. A revival began here in Waycross, Ga., the first of January, conducted by Brother J. C. Cox of Florida. All near enough to attend, come over and help us in this good work. Everybody pray that God will smile upon us and many souls will be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Also please pray for my son, Jimmie. He has been sick almost three weeks. His side, shoulder and stomach hurt him. Pray for the Lord to save him and all my loved ones.—Mrs. J. S. Braddy, Waycross, Ga.

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We earnestly ask the prayers of God's children for Charles G. Moore. He is suffering with lung trouble. He has faith in you people and much faith in God. He is asking you to have a special prayer for him. He is living a clean life, and has been baptized.—His mother and wife, Mrs. W. H. and Nellie Moore.

### Nurse Receives Holy Ghost

Dear Evangel readers: I was deep in sin, so deep I did not dare ask God to forgive me. I thought I had sinned the day of grace away, being a Nazarene and having been sanctified and falling into sin I thought there was no chance.

My husband influenced me into the Church of God and Sister Emma Newman was the evangelist. I went to the altar and laid my sins before God. He sanctified me. The next day was Saturday. I could not work. The Lord said, "Go and pray," and asked me if I could go and tell the story. I said, "Yes, Lord." I went out, it was raining hard. I went to my garage and talked with the Lord. He said, "Go out in the open." I went out in the rain and walked out towards the woodland on a hill, and as I walked and talked with the Lord I saw a cross, and I said, "Lord, if you want me to be baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire and speak in tongues, you will have to give it to me, I will accept. Another cross appeared in the east and as I walked northwest I saw Jesus nailed to the cross so far away I could just discern the red blood trickling down the wounded side, and I said, "He was nailed to the cross for my sins, but praise the Lord they are under the blood," and it disappeared and along side of that in the fog midst clouds I saw Jesus. I went with outstretched arms and said, "I'll go all the way Lord." I never turned back to tell them what happened to me at home. It was gone. I turned quickly and saw hell. There were thousands in the human form and it seemed as though they were wading in something and pushing and shoving, and were mired. I said, "Not them Lord." I kept on praising my Lord and I thought I would go home. When I reached home I found it was four-thirty. They were worried, did not know where I was and I was not wet. My daughter said, "No matter where you were you are not wet." A deep sleep came over me and I had bread to bake but I did not know who tended it. I slept and knew nothing until my husband asked me if I was going to church. Yes, I was going. It did not take me long to get ready. I was lost to everything around me, even when I got to church I did not know I told my vision but Sister Newman said I did. I knelt at the altar. I did not hear the message. I spoke in an unknown tongue. I then knew, got up and praised God. I heard the most heavenly music. I tried to think of what I said in the strange language, not knowing what it meant. I woke up during the night talking in an unknown tongue and singing, keeping time on my husband's shoulder. There have been nine filled

with the Baptism, eleven have been sanctified and our revival is still on. Our church has been set in order and we are praying for a better church. We know and feel that God will answer and that more are yet to join our ranks. Sister Newman has worked, labored, fasted, and her labors are not in vain. Praise the Lord!

My occupation is a nurse. I have tried in the sick room to point them to the Lamb of God but being in sin I could not do it. But praise His name, I can now do it, and pray and do everything the Lord wants. Matt. 8:11. Praise His good name! Anyone wishing to communicate with me my address is Augusta, Me., Gen. Del.—Lida B. Ricker.

### EDITORIALS

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deepening into God of the white nations, we see nothing but trouble ahead. It is thought by many experts on the subject, that the Anglo-Saxons will be conquered by the Mongolian nations. If there should come an issue between these races of people, it would be the saddest day in all the world. But thanks be unto God, we are looking for Him to return, who can and will conquer all the forces of evil, first, to take His people home to glory and allow the world to be thrown into awful tribulation. Then sin will reap its destructive reward and those who are not ready to meet Jesus will suffer, and no doubt, the entire world will be conquered and controlled by one force.

But there is a day of joy for the victorious Christians and we believe it is just ahead.

### I REMEMBER

"I remember, I remember,  
The place where I was born;  
The little window where the sun  
Came peeping in at morn.  
It never came an hour too soon,  
Nor brought too long a day,  
But now I often wish the night  
Had borne my breath away.

"I remember, I remember,  
Where I was used to swing,  
And thought the air must rush as fresh  
As swallows on the wing.  
My spirit flew in feathers then  
That is so heavy now,  
That the summer pool would hardly cool  
The fever of my brow.

"I remember, I remember,  
The fir tree dark and high;  
I used to think its slender top  
Was close against the sky.  
It was a childish ignorance,  
But now it's little joy  
To know I'm farther off from Heaven  
Than when I was a boy."

Selected from "The Gospel Herald."

If we expect others to do what they are expecting us to do, and one waits on the other, it will never be done until we cease to wait, and go to work. The one who does the work will get the reward, and the one who does the waiting will get nothing.

## Lest You Forget...

We want to remind you that the Orphanage is still collecting coupons from Octagon's, Borden's, and Kirkman's products. Yes, we can use those cards from your Rumford's Baking Powder, too, and the coupons on the Knox Gelatine.

We truly thank you for your interest in the past, but remember the Orphanage is still caring for homeless boys and girls—taking in some new ones from time to time—and it takes the money we receive from the coupons you send as well as your personal, Church and Sunday School offerings to carry on this good work.

Your friends and acquaintances will gladly give you the coupons, we believe, if you will explain to them how easy it is for them to help support so worthy an institution without giving a penny!

Remember the cry of the orphans: Send your coupons today!

CHURCH OF GOD ORPHANAGE & CHILDREN'S HOME



We are  
Counting  
on You!



## Death Notices

### PHENNING

Henry Phenning was born in Russia April 20, 1891, and died Dec. 29, 1935, at the age of forty-four years, eight months, and nine days. He was a loyal member of the Church of God at Ree, N. Dak. He trusted God to the end and said he was ready to go. The funeral was conducted by the writer and Brother Syler, a German preacher, therefore services were in German and English.—M. L. Lowe, pastor.

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### COOK

Anna Cook, wife of E. P. Cook, died Jan. 1, 1936. She was a loyal, sanctified member of the Church of God at Lewistown, Mont. She was fifty-five years, four months, and thirty days of age. The funeral was conducted by the writer.—M. L. Lowe.

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### RICHARD

Our dear Sister Richard, mother of Brothers Thad and Luther Richard, both ministers of the Church of God, died Jan. 6, 1936. She clapped her sweet hands and said she was ready to go. She loved the church and came to the sisters' prayer meeting as long as she could. Her funeral was conducted in the Church of God at Pratt City, Ala., by Brothers Burroughs, Gallups, and M. D. Harwood, our pastor. Interment was made at Copperhill, Tenn.—A sister in Christ, Alice Dilbeck.

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### PERKINS

Harold Morran Perkins died Dec. 19, 1935, at the age of eight years. Please pray for our home.—A heartbroken mother, Mrs. Bertha Mae Perkins, Evarts, Ky.

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### PHELPS

We are very sorry to report the death of our good Brother John Phelps. Brother Phelps was a good, faithful Church of God member, also a deacon in the Church of God at Sulphur Springs, Ky.—Clerk.

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### COCKRELL

Mr. William Curtis Cockrell, 24, son of Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Cockrell, died Sept. 13, 1935. He was saved and ready to meet Jesus in peace.—His cousin, Willie T. Welch.

## Glad I Started When Young

Dear brothers and sisters: I am glad to write and tell you I am one of your sisters in Christ Jesus. The Lord saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost when I was eleven years old. That has been six years ago and I am still thanking God for victory today.

When I was nine years of age the Lord began to strive with me. I would go to church and when the altar service began I would stand and cry. I was afraid some one would say, "She is too young, she won't stand." But one night I went to the altar in spite of what people would say. Thank God, I am glad I started when I did. I feel His presence now.

Dear friends, I feel the coming of the Lord is at hand. I want to be true to the end. I want to overcome everything, so when the Lord calls me I will be ready. Young people, let's step out and do what He would have us do. Oh, the enemy is working so hard to down our souls. My heart is aching. How pride is taking hold of the young people today! Oh, may God help me to get more like Him every day.

I ask every Christian who reads this to pray a special prayer for me that I may do what He would have me do, and pray for my brother who is in sin. Dear friends, we need to pray more for each other in the future than in the past.—Your sister in Jesus, Miss Lois Helton, Copperhill, Tenn.

## My Visit To The Northwest

On Saturday evening, December 28th, I boarded the train for Minot, N. Dak., arriving there Sunday night at 10:45. I was met at the depot by Brother David Lemons who took me to the home of Brother Paul H. Walker, where I met a warm welcome.

On Monday morning we went to the camp ground and there we visited the Bible School under the leadership of Supt. Frank Lemons and his assistants. I will not be able to give you a full description of this visit but I want to say we found a band of earnest students striving for a greater knowledge of the Word of God. At this time Prof. Owl Denson chose a song and they sang it especially for me. As I listened I was made to realize that the Northwest School has made no mistake in having an instructor like Brother Denson. Spending some time in the school, I met others of the faculty and found they were all possessed with that same spirit of enthusiasm that makes things move for God and His cause. There is life, earnestness, and sincerity in this school. While there we came in a time or two at night and found them studying and working for all there was in it. These are composed of several dif-

ferent nationalities and from several different states and also Canada.

On Tuesday we spent the afternoon in the school making a short talk to the students on the subject of "Victorious Faith." This was a very pleasant time. We also had a very friendly visit with Brother and Sister Gillette. Sister Gillette is a teacher in the school and is very sincere in her work.

On Tuesday evening we gathered in the church for the watch night service. This service was conducted by the pastor, Brother David Lemons. There we had a very enjoyable evening. Many special numbers were used, quartets and solos, etc., and when we met the new year we were all happy in the Lord.

While the temperature was from ten to twelve below zero, we did not get around as much as we would like to have gone but from what I saw, the Northwest is moving along nicely under the care of Brother Paul H. Walker.

Leaving there on Wednesday morning I returned to my home on Thursday evening, but the memories of that visit still linger and I will say if you go to the Northwest you will be treated royally.—D. G. Phillips, Detroit, Mich.

## Feels More Like Trusting Him

I requested prayer some time ago for the healing of my body, and I am thanking the Lord for His great healing power, for I am feeling so much better and feel more like trusting and serving Him than ever before.

I thank Him for the wonderful meeting we had Sunday night, Jan. 5th. Brother Eugene Winters, his wife and a sister from Canada were with us. We were glad to have them with us. Brother Winters brought the message and the presence of the Lord was there and blessed all thru the service. We have been having some wonderful messages brought to us by our pastor, Brother A. L. Jenkins.

We request you to pray for our pastor that the Lord will heal him and give him health and strength to do his work. He has been very sick in body for some time. We are looking forward and praying for a revival. Pray that the Lord will have His way and there will be lost souls saved. Pray for Sister Stevens' baby. It almost has pneumonia. Pray for my unsaved family and friends.—One who is trying to stay humble and do the Lord's will, Minnie (Aracoma) Bennett, Logan, W. Va.

The earth will never be so full of God's glory as when his people all become filled with his love and seek to know and do his whole will. 'Tis then they will learn their true mission is to glorify Him instead of trying to be glorified.

### How Our Church Began

Dear readers: I feel led to write of how the Lord is blessing in Grasonville, Md. It is quite interesting how The Church of God in Grasonville came about. The first time we heard about The Church of God was at a revival held in Maryland. Brother F. B. Marine of Cambridge, at that time state overseer of Maryland, preached on "The Ten Virgins". Before he finished preaching the power fell and we got under the shower.

We had been members of a Pentecostal movement for about five years, and when we returned they said we brought Holy Ghost fire from somewhere, and we surely testified about it, because we were real hungry for the blessing.

Brother W. Carl Milligan of Easton, Md., was having a revival in February, 1935. He came to see us and gave us a hearty invitation to the meeting. Altho there was much said against The Church of God folk, we could not help but go. I feel sure it was the Holy Ghost leading us. Brother Seyda from Baltimore was doing the preaching. We heard some wonderful truths, and it made us wonder why our Pentecostal church could not join in with these dear people. Brother T. C. Messer of Florida continued this revival, and the people really labored with us to get us through to the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and what a blessing it was to us! There were five of us who received the Holy Ghost in this meeting. We felt led of the Lord to join The Church of God at Easton. After we were taken in the Church, we felt that we had found a sheltering place. It was sweet to our souls and we shall never forget those blessings.

Now we felt like we wanted the truth in our community, so Brothers F. B. Marine and W. Carl Milligan gave us a five weeks' revival. It was a real sacrifice for the dear saints of Easton and Cambridge to come here almost every night. But the seed was sown, and later Brothers Marine and Milligan gave us a two weeks' meeting in a tent. We praise the Lord for the people who are still working for Him and going forward to possess the land.

In August the church was set in order with seven members. At present we have ten. This fall we built a church, 28x40, a very nice building worth about two thousand dollars. Our pastor, Brother Lauster, worked hard on the building and each one of the members put his shoulder to the wheel. Our esteemed overseer, Brother Carl W. Milligan, with his dear saints, came and helped on the building also. Brother Marine with his people came from Cambridge and Brother Abbott from Crisfield came and gave us a lift one day. All of this encouraged

us to see how God's people are in unity and oneness. The church is now completed, the Sunday School is good and increasing all the time. We expect to start a revival in the near future. Pray much that God will save souls and add to our number. We all feel encouraged to go on with the Lord.—Your sister in Christ, Lydia Lauster.

### In The Spirit of the Lord

The Church of God at Bagleys Chapel, Thomasville, Ala., had a most wonderful program Christmas night. Everything went on in the Spirit of the Lord. Everybody who saw it said it was the best program they had ever seen. We had a large attendance.

We surely do appreciate our good pastor. He is doing a good work for the Church. It seems he has more influence over the sinner than any other pastor we have had. We haven't started a revival yet, but we hope to start one soon, and we ask all the saints to pray that great good will be done, and that there will be many saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. We feel like prayers from all praying people will do good.

We thank you again for our pastor. We hope you will send him back another year. Pray for us that we will have good success this year.—Your sisters in Christ, Sadie Scarbrough and Ruth Bagley.

### Wanted to Prove Himself In My Life

I praise my blessed Redeemer for what He is to me and for the way He has blessed. We moved to this place three months ago from Surrency, Ga., and have been deprived of the privilege of attending church since we have been here, as there is no Church of God near here.

My health has been bad for over a month. I have bronchial trouble. I took influenza Christmas Eve. At times it seemed as if I was going to choke to death. I suffered that way until Sunday night.

I knew a young minister and his wife so I told my husband to go and tell them to come. When they came we began to pray. We held on until victory came. I went to sleep and slept the rest of the night, and I had not slept any in two days and nights. They came back the next night and prayed for me again. Oh, it's just wonderful what the Lord can and will do when we get to the place we can depend on Him.

I feel that God wanted to prove Himself in my life. These are good moral people here but they don't know anything about real salvation and the power of God. I feel so encouraged this morning to

be more steadfast. I want to prove a blessing to those I meet daily and speak encouraging words along the way, for this race will soon be over and the victory won. All who know the worth of prayer, please pray for me to be completely healed as I have something like asthma.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. W. G. O'Quinn, Shiloh, Fla.

### Help Spread The Gospel

To the Church of God members in general: As we look around us we see so much to be done. Oh, we need to get the gospel into every home. One way we can do this is to send the Evangel. If every Church of God member would take an interest in three friends and send them the Evangel for a year, it would be a great work. This would be a club of three yearly subscriptions and you could get them for one dollar each subscription. The paper would go to their homes every week. If the oil is not out of your lamp, let it shine. Don't wait until opportunities are past and then say you see things you should have done. Some folks say there is so much to do but they never do anything. If it is too hard for every member to send a club of three subscriptions, then perhaps every church could send as many as three.—Yours for the Church and lost souls, Arthur Starns, Frankfield, Ill.

### Abide By The Teachings

DILLON, S. C.—I am glad I can report victory at The Church of God at Dillon, S. C. I have a greater desire to press on and do more this year for my Savior and live closer to Him. We surely are glad to have Brother Clyde C. Cox for our pastor. If all the saints will cooperate I believe we can help make 1936 the best year the church has ever had. If we believe The Church of God is the Bible Church, why not abide by its teachings—pay tithes, lift the cross and let God bless you.

We surely are glad to have Brother R. P. Johnson for our state overseer this year. Pray for this church that God will bless and many souls will be saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. I desire the prayers of the saints that I will stand true and live humble so God can use me to His glory. My desire is to go and be with Jesus for I believe He is coming soon. Pray for me to do the Lord's will so I can make the rapture. Also pray for my loved ones.—A brother in Christ, Gary Cook.

The minister who fails to study and apply himself will speak empty words from an empty mind to empty seats, instead of speaking words full of meaning from a mind full of understanding to a house full of people.

**Building A Better Nation**

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thousand pawn-shops in a city to sell any kind of a deadly weapon? God needs men today to protect the rights of your little boy or girl who will live this life many years after the sod has well covered your grave.

Only a few have stood like steel walls against the liquor tribe who sells the soul of humanity to a grave in hell.

The policemen on the streets are helping hide that gambling den where your boy loses his hard-earned money, and then yields his spirit to a half pint.

The breeding place of hold-up crime or billiard halls nowadays shakes the hand and welcomes your twelve-year-old son where the law used to say "eighteen years" before you could play the game.

The slum districts are housing the lowest type of humanity and destroying the character of manhood and womanhood—bad houses—your cities are full of them and the man you voted into office is not doing anything about it.

The statesman, merchant, lawyer, judge, teacher, banker, policeman, etc., could be the greatest instrument in the hands of Almighty God to reform humanity that exists on earth today; but where is your Holy Ghost filled man, woman, boy or girl who is capable of filling these positions? Here is why I advocate a better trained boy or girl, one who will be able to face these great problems of today.

Let that Spirit of God lead you that led men of old and you'll train and sacrifice and push out into the great unknown that you might make a greater, more efficient and better soldier, that a nation for Jesus Christ might grow.

My prayer today is that God will burn deep within my heart a Spirit that says, "I'll sacrifice", "I'll obey", "I'll be helpful", "I'll merge my personal desires into His unity", and help to make a nation grow that will worship Jesus Christ. Pray for me.—A Bible student, C. M. J.

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**He Provided**

Dear Church of God Evangel readers, I thank God today for being in B. T. S. this term. I have wanted to come to B. T. S. for several years but was not permitted to do so. I realize my need to know more of His Word. I did not see my way through school when I came here. I kept praying for God to make the way. Thank God, He provided. When we call upon Him, believing and ready to do His will and to follow Him (who did no sin neither was there found any guile in His mouth) we are sure to receive

what we need. Thank the Lord for being in a land and in a school where I can obey Him. I want to be able to be approved unto God, 2 Tim. 2:15.

One reason why we should study God's Word is found in 2 Tim. 3:16, 17. I thank God for what the school has meant to me and for the blessings I have received here. Pray for me to be a soul winner for God.—Your brother in the Lord, A. J. Dearman, Meridian, Miss.

**God Has Taken Me Back**

I want all the Church of God to know that I have found the Lord again and He has forgiven me. I asked sometime ago for the church at Detroit to take my name off the book. I am sorry of this and want all who belong to the Church everywhere to forgive me. I failed God because of some misunderstanding here at the church and I truly hope all about whom I have said anything will forgive me for failing God and saying things I should not have said about my brothers and sisters in the Church. God has been good to me in taking me back again. I was saved in Sister Morrow's meeting. She is having a wonderful meeting. Ten were saved Sunday night. I want all who read this to pray for me that God will help me do His will. I don't intend to unite with the Church again until I prove myself worthy to be a member of His Church.—Just a brother, Geo. Henderson, 5840 Brooklyn, Detroit, Mich.

**Ready To Help Old and Young**

CEDARTOWN, Ga.—Dear saints of God, I thank and praise God for His richest blessings. I thank Him for full and free salvation that keeps me happy all the way, thank Him for the blessed Holy Ghost and The Church of God. Praise the Lord! I have a determination to work for the Lord more than ever before.

The Lord saved me when I was fifteen years old but it seemed I was cold and not happy like I should be until last June when I began to be in services a little more and got right down to business. Now I am seventeen and by the grace and help of God I'm going all of the way with Him. Let me tell all you young folks something, God is on the throne, ready to help old and young. If you will get right while you are young, you will enjoy life better than if you wandered off in sin and rebellion against God and His Word.

I have brothers and sisters out in sin whom I want you to pray for. Pray for me and the little church at Byrd Station that God may send a sweeping revival and save many souls.—Jewell Catrer.

**ORPHAN GIRLS MADE HAPPY****Bristol, Tenn., District Gives A Living Room Suite To Home**

A short time before Christmas Sister Cole of Elizabethton, Tenn., started soliciting on the Bristol district for money to buy a living room suite for one of our homes for orphan girls in Cleveland. As the result of her faithful work and the hearty response from the people of the Bristol district, Brother J. H. Walker and I went with Sister Hazlewood, matron of the home, to town Jan. 13th and helped her select a suite.

We got a good suite that was formerly priced at \$129.50. This certainly did please Sister Hazlewood and the girls, but there is one very unpleasant thing about it, we have another girls' home only a block away that is badly in need of a suite. Who is going to get busy and get this one?—M. P. Cross, overseer on Tennessee.

**Be Up and Doing For The Master**

Please pray for us to get our church finished so we can have a revival. Oh, we need to be up and doing for the Master, as we are sure we are living in the last days. We are building our church on faith, but if God be for us who can be against us? Pray that we may have our church to worship in.

The devil is doing everything he can to stop us but I don't want to give way to him. We have been having preaching in a school house, but because we had a holiness preacher they don't want him to preach. He just gives them the Bible and men love darkness better than light because their deeds are evil. Please pray for me. I am saved, sanctified and tarrying for the sweet Holy Ghost, praise His holy name.—Mrs. J. H. Andetom, Tullahoma, Tenn.

**NOTICES**

CORRECTION—Clifton C. Rains, 1612 S. Walnut, Coffeyville, Kans., was given credit for one quilt in the miscellaneous orphanage report in the Evangel of Jan. 11. This should have been two quilts instead of one.

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To whom it may concern: Mrs. Deamie Walker is no longer clerk of the church at Joiner, Ark., but is succeeded by Miss Mildred Millican whose address is Joiner, Ark.—Mrs. M. A. Adams.



### ***Insensible Backsliding***

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God is power, therefore, if the Church loses its love it also loses God and when it loses God, it has no power. Like Samson, it may boast of past victories, but when the enemy assaults it, it is powerless to defend its position. There may be a great show of reflex action, but if the love of God is wanting, the Church is powerless to operate against sin.

When the Church of the Ephesus period had left its "first love," the Lord commanded it to repent and do its "first works." That is just what Samson did and finished his work with the greatest victory of all his life. We are nearing the climax of the Church's history and the end of the age is near. Surely it is time to repent and do the first work of the Church of God, when it continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and signs and wonders followed. The multitude of them that believed were of one heart and one soul, and great grace was upon them all. They concentrated their power and The Church of God moved forward with rapid speed. She was consecrated to her mission and did not flirt with the world. Side issues had no place in the Church in those days, when all her power was properly directed and applied to her mission of evangelizing the world.

Is it not appalling to reflect, considering our endowments and opportunities, that so little energy is expended in the right direction and so much power is lost? Let us put ourselves in the right attitude, and remember that we are not makers, but manipulators of power, and responsible for the use we make of it.

We are in the closing-out period of the Church Age and to finish the work with greater victory than at the beginning, will require greater power than was manifested then. Those who waste their power by flirting with the world will be found wanting when the enemy of all righteousness makes his last charge against the Church of God. We should remember the vow that we made when we said the Church of God stands for the Bible rightly divided and the New Testament shall be our only rule of faith and practice. To break from this, means our vow is broken and our power is wasted.

Paul speaks of an evil day when God's people will need to be "strong in the Lord and in the power of his might," that they may be able to stand against the "wiles of the devil." He said, "Having done all to stand, stand therefore. To be able to stand we should be guaranteed against falling. The Bible furnishes this guarantee and if we will do what it says, we will not lay our head down in the lap of the world and be shorn of our power.

Peter speaks of the guarantee against falling in the following words; "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall," 2 Pet. 1:10. In the preceding verses he sets forth seven divine attributes that he declares we should give "all diligence to add to our faith," so if we "do these things," (add them to our faith) it will guarantee us strength to stand in the "evil day." These seven attributes, "virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, charity," mean to the Church what Samson's seven locks meant to him. As long as he wore the seven locks, he could stand against his enemies. So will the Church be able to stand against the "wiles of the devil," if it puts on and retains the seven attributes of faith. These will safeguard against formality, and to let the Bible be our guide will keep us true to our vow.

### ***Wonderful To Have God On Your Side***

LANSING, Mich. — Dear Evangel readers: A few weeks ago my little girl fell and was hit right over her eye. A place had swollen as large as a walnut and got down into her eye but we never paid much attention to it until that night when she took an awful spell of crying. She must have cried between two and three hours. My wife thought it was a pain in her ear so I started praying for her. After a while I took her and asked her what was hurting her, and she being only two and a half years old put her hand on her eye. I looked at it and saw it was turning black down in her eye. I said to my wife, "Let's pray hard, for this is a serious case," and we were going to take her to the home of Brother Sedelmaier for them to pray for her if God didn't undertake. I took the baby in my arms and prayed for God to let the healing power touch her body, and laying hands on her, asked God to rebuke the aches and pains in Jesus' name, for the Word says we shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. Thank God! In about ten minutes the baby went to sleep, and the next morning that swollen place had gone down and run out thru her ear. Hallelujah!

I promised God I would testify of this wherever I went, and this morning God reminded me of it, as my little girl took sick. We had prayed so much for her but she didn't seem to get completely well, so I have faith to believe she will get well now, for I am obeying the Lord by sending this testimony of what He has done for her. Beloved, if we promise to testify of our healing, do not let the enemy make you fail to keep your

promise or vow to God. People all thought that was a wonderful healing, and unsaved people thought it was wonderful how God healed her of that bad eye. The devil tried to make my wife think the girl was blind. She held her hand over the good eye and held something in front of the bad eye and asked her what that was she was holding up, and the little girl told her.

Oh, hallelujah, it's wonderful to have God on your side. If we will just trust and obey He will deliver us from our troubles. If you want healing, you must have the light on it, and then make up your mind that you are going to die trusting the Lord. First throw away your medicines and dopes and obey God, then healing will come. Pray for me to always be obedient and willing to do His will at all times.—Your humble brother, W. T. Truett.

### ***Lord Blessing Colored Work In Kentucky***

HARLAN, Ky.—Dear Evangel readers: I am happy to tell of how God has blessed in the State of Kentucky. My husband and I came to this state ten years ago the first of this month. There wasn't a colored church here but we worked hard and the Lord surely has blessed in this state. Many souls have been blessed since we have been here, both white and colored. We have three churches for which I thank God. I thank Him for churches that obey God's Word. The Lord restored some who lost the victory six years ago. I truly thank Him for the Holy Ghost which is yet abiding in my soul.—A sister in Christ, Hattie Johnson, (colored).

### ***A Friend In Every Trial***

SWEETGUM, Ga.—I praise the Lord for His good work in answer to my prayer. My husband was out in sin and God wonderfully saved him Dec. 30, 1935. I praise His name. Pray that he will go on and get the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Saints, pray that I may be a bright light to the people here, for they need your prayers. I started this way in 1932 but evil companions led me astray. I thank God for showing me where I was and bringing me back.

I thank God for healing my body last September. I was afflicted so that I couldn't do my house work, but God healed me. It is great to have a friend to call on in every trial. Praise His name.—A sister, Mrs. J. W. Harper.

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